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Group Art Unit: 1637

Title: COMPOSITION AND METHODS FOR OPTIMIZED HYBRIDIZATION USING MODIFIED SOLUTIONS

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

() Response/Amendment () Petition to extend time to respond
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TOTAL CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$86	\$ 0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$290	\$ 0
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INTERVIEW SUMMARY	Attorney Docket Confirmation No.	10010819-1 3172
Address to: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	First Named Inventor	Sana
	Application Number	10/001,688
	Filing Date	October 25, 2001
	Group Art Unit	1637
	Examiner Name	Joyce Tung
	Title	Composition and Methods for Optimized Hybridization Using Modified Solutions

Dear Sir:

The Applicants wish to express their gratitude to Examiner Tung for the interview on August 11, 2004, with Applicant's representative James Keddie.

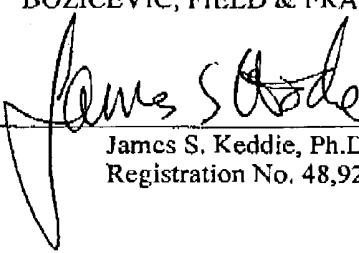
All current rejections were discussed, as well as arguments to overcome those rejections. Specifically, a showing of unexpected results was discussed. Applicant's arguments regarding lack of motivation to combine the teachings of Brenner and Kourilsky were discussed, as well as Applicant's arguments regarding a lack of reasonable expectation of success.

Applicants arguments were advanced in the communication filed with the Office on July 6, 2004.

A Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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